

San Pasqual Union School 8th Grade Humanities Syllabus 2019-2020

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Supply List

See supply list on school website. These are **individual** supplies for the school year that each student is required to have in **every class every day**.



Classroom Donations

All teachers would appreciate donations of these items. Students may turn them into their homeroom teacher.

- Tissues
- Ziploc baggies, quart size
- Ziploc baggies, gallon size
- Tape refills
- Disinfecting wipes
- Notebook paper (college ruled)
- Glue Sticks
- Expo markers





Behavior Policies

Our classrooms will support learning through a positive approach to classroom management. We value group work and perseverance. Our behavior policies focus on making the classroom an environment that is physically and emotionally safe for everyone. Your child will receive lots of encouragement. Please know that if your child could use improvement in any behavior area, his/her teacher will contact you. Feel free to contact the teacher at any time if you have any concerns.

Expectations

Be Respectful.
Show Responsibility.
Create an environment where learning can happen.

Rewards

may include...
Verbal Praise
Phone Call/Note/Email home
Classroom Privileges

Consequences

may include...
Verbal/Written Warning
Phone Call/Note/Email home
Loss of Privileges/Office Referral

Academic Grades

Students are evaluated in three separate areas.

History/Social Studies Academic:

Assessments – 35%

Project(s) – 25% (collaboration, simulations and other group work)

Ouizzes – 15%

Assignments – 25% (individual classwork/homework)

ELA Academic:

Reading:

- Collections End of Unit Tests (District Benchmark) 25%
- Independent Reading 15%
- Literature Analysis and Critical Vocabulary (Collections) 20%
- Collections Selection Quizzes/Literacy Skills Quizzes 20%
- Projects 20%

Writing:

- Writing District Benchmark 25%
- 5-A-Day Language Review Quizzes 20%
- Writing Assignments 20%
- Language Development (Collections: Vocabulary Strategy, Conventions) 20%
- Journal Writing 15%

History/Social Studies – ELA Effort Grade:

• Classwork, Homework, Group Work, Participation

History/Social Studies- ELA Citizenship Grade:

• Behavior, Attitude, Group Work, Participation

Assessment Corrections for Proficiency:

• A student who earns a score below 70% on any assessment may make corrections for ½ credit of the corrected portion (i.e. 40% first take; 60% with all corrections = 30% (½ credit) for a final grade of 70%.) Corrections must be turned in within one week of receiving the original test.

Effort Grade

- Homework is graded on a completed/not-completed basis and may be turned in late (within one week)
 for partial credit. Students must show all work/give complete responses to demonstrate their
 understanding of the concepts.
- Incomplete work is not accepted; please complete the assignment and turn in.
- It is the **student's responsibility** to find out what assignment(s) that he/she has missed while absent. Please refer to the Weebly website: spuela.weebly.com, a peer buddy or speak with the teacher. Remember, there is no substitute for learning in school. Please make every effort to schedule vacations and appointments outside of the school day.



Citizenship Grade

- Citizenship grades are based on a student's Behavior, Attitude, Group Work, Participation
- Students **earn** a grade of *Outstanding* or *Satisfactory* through extra effort (including participation), responsibility (including being on time and bringing materials to school), behavior and attitude.

On-Line Grades

• Academic grades can be accessed through Synergy at any time through the school's website.

Please sign and return this portion no later than Friday, August 30, 2019.

I have read and discussed the class syllabus with my child.

Student Name:

Student Signature:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Is there Internet access at home? _____Yes _____No

Does your child live in multiple households where you will need multiple copies of things?

_____Yes _____No

Is there anything you would like us to know about your child?